

AS WIFE DISROBES HUSBAND LOSES MIND IN CHURCH

Yonkers Couple, Who Lost Fortune in Germany Through War, Strangely Afflicted.

BOTH UNDER RESTRAINT.

Woman Started to Undress at Religious Service, Crying to Minister to Stop the War.

Willy G. Holdorf, until recently the chief chemist of the Spreckels Sugar Refinery at Yonkers, and his wife are under restraint in that city to-day, following their emotional outburst against the European war in St. John's Evangelical Church yesterday. The hysteria of the pair, ending with a partial disrobing of the wife and her effort to take the minister's place in the pulpit were the climax of mental troubles of the pair which have been developing for six months and which were caused, apparently, by money losses due to the war suffered by Mrs. Holdorf.

She received a large legacy just before the war and went to Germany to take it over. The money was invested in German funds. Last spring she learned that the legacy had been wiped out because of the war. She brooded and became unsettled in her mind, talking constantly, refusing to sleep herself or to let her husband sleep.

Holdorf became possessed of a delusion that Claus Spreckels of San Francisco was seeking to do him evil by wiretapping. There are several wireless plants on the roofs of houses near the Holdorfs home at No. 12 Morris Avenue. He made many complaints against them and threats against Louis Spreckels, the head of the Yonkers plant. On the complaint of Spreckels, Holdorf was sent to the Poughkeepsie State Hospital for the Insane in June.

On the promise of fellow members of the congregation that he would be kept in restraint he was soon released and allowed to return to his wife, whose affliction was not generally known.

Half an hour before yesterday's service, while Sunday School was in session, the couple entered the church, knelt together, and both sobbing violently, prayed through the opening of the church service. As the pastor approached the pulpit for the sermon, Mrs. Holdorf rose and, with her hands raised, tore off her waist and much of her upper underclothing and started for the pulpit, crying that God had told her to forbid all war. Her husband threw an overcoat over her shoulders, but she continued to sob when they came. She is unwilling to nurse them and take care of them herself. Does she bring up her children badly? Is it due to her that so many American boys and girls are disobedient, disrespectful, indolent and precociously acquainted with petty vices?

When the two were taken to the police station, Holdorf, with tears streaming from his eyes, asked Dr. W. S. Coons, who had been summoned from the hospital, if he might not be permitted to take his wife home and end her life and his own with a revolver.

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